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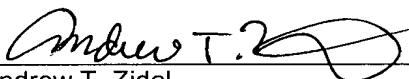
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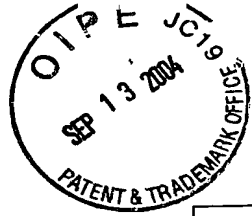
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2004,  
applicants submit the following remarks.